BEFORE THE FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

In the Matter of

MUR 4783

Dr. Brian Babin; Brian Babin for Congress) and Thomas E. Freeman, as treasurer;)
Walter Whetsell; Honorable Thomas Dale)
Delay; Tom Delay Congressional Committee)
and David Evans, as treasurer; Honorable)
Strom Thurmond; Palmetto Leadership PAC)
(FKA Reelect Thurmond Committee) and)
J. Kershaw Spong, as treasurer; Gayle O.)
Averyt; Steven Lee Gill; Anne Coates;)
Edward H. Cone;

Peter F.

Cloeren; Cloeren, Inc.; Keith)
and Robin Johnston; Rolf and Linda)
Schulz; Claude W. and Felicia Huckaby;)
Tony and Nancy Dallas; Robert E. and)
Mildred A. Frank; Bobby Frank; Holly Ngoc)
Vu; Thang Ngoc Vu; Jack and Cyndi Tindel;)
Roy and Billie M. Locks; Robert H. Ewing;)
Gertie M. Ewing; Cheryl David; Joe and)
Nancy Sanders; Ken and Norma Johnson;)
Rose Jean Lucia; Mike and Cynthia Lucia;)
Paul and Leigh Ann (Lisa) Peveto; Gary)
Oliver; Jacquelyn Oliver.

CERTIFICATION

I, Darlene Harris, recording secretary for the Federal Election Commission executive session on July 20, 1999, do hereby certify that the Commission decided by a vote of 6-0 to take the following actions in MUR 4783:

Find no reason to believe that The Honorable Thomas Dale Delay or Tom Delay Congressional Committee and David Evans, as treasurer, violated 2 U.S.C. § 441f in connection with contributions by Cloeren, Inc. employees to the Babin Committee.

Find no reason to believe that The Honorable Thomas
Dale Delay, and Tom Delay Congressional Committee and
David Evans, as treasurer, violated 2 U.S.C. \$ 441b(a)
by traveling to Orange, Texas, on August 19, 1996, on
a flight paid for by Cloeren, Inc.

Find no reason to believe that Brian Babin and Brian Babin for Congress and Thomas E. Freeman, as treasurer, violated 2 U.S.C. §§ 441g and 432(c)(2).

Find no reason to believe that Peter Cloeren violated the Act in connection with contributions to the Thurmond and Gill Committees.

Find no reason to believe that Anne Coates, Edward H. Cone and Gayle O. Averyt violated any provision of the Act on the basis of the complaint filed in MUR 4783.

Find no reason to believe that the Palmetto Leadership PAC (FKA Reelect Thurmond Committee) and J. Kershaw Spong, as treasurer, The Honorable Strom Thurmond and Steven Lee Gill violated any provision of the Act on the basis of the complaint filed in MUR 4783.

Find no reason to believe that The Honorable Thomas Dale Delay, and Tom Delay Congressional Committee and David Evans, as treasurer, violated the Act in connection with contributions by Mr. Cloeren to the Thurmond and Gill Committees and contributions by Gayle O. Averyt, Anne Coates and Edward H. Cone to the Babin Committee.

Find no reason to believe that Walter Whetsell, Brian Babin and Brian Babin for Congress and Thomas E. Freeman, as treasurer, violated 2 U.S.C. § 441f by soliciting or accepting contributions by Anne Coates, Edward H. Cone and Gayle O. Averyt or by soliciting contributions to the Gill and Thurmond Committees.

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Commissioners Elliott, Mason, McDonald, Sandstrom, Thomas, and Wold voted affirmatively for the decision.

Attest:

July 22, 1999

Barlene Harris

Darlene Harris
Acting Deputy Secretary
of the Commission